## CITIES OF 12,000 OR LESS—ANNEXATION— EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

## **CHAPTER 585**

H. B. No. 1530

An Act relating to the annexation by a city of property within its extraterritorial jurisdiction; amending Subdivision (a), Subsection B-1, Section 7, Municipal Annexation Act, as amended (Article 970a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Subdivision (a), Subsection B-1, Section 7, Municipal Annexation Act, as amended (Article 970a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended  $^{57}$  to read as follows:

"(a) No home rule or general law city may annex any area, whether publicly or privately owned, unless the width of such area at its narrowest point is at least 500 feet, except that a city having a population of twelve thousand (12,000) inhabitants or less may annex an area that is less than 500 feet in width if the corporate limits of the city are contiguous with the property on at least two sides."

Sec. 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 12, 1975, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 22, 1975: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1975.

Effective Sept. 1, 1975, 90 days after date of adjournment.

Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 970a, § 7. subsec. B-1, subd. (a).